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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: AUST et al.

Serial No: 09/991,702

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For: Thermo-Mechanical Treated Lead and Lead Alloys Especially
for current collectors and Connectors in Lead-Acid Batteries

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 REQUESTING
CHANGE IN ORDER OF NAMED INVENTORS**

ATTN: OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It has come to applicant's attention that the order of the named inventors is not the preferred order. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the order of the names be changed so that they appear in the following sequence:

1. Gino Palumbo
2. David L. Limoges
3. Peter K. Lin
4. Francisco Gonzalez
5. Karl T. Aust
6. Klaus Tomantschger

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The above-named inventors each executed the oath or declaration.

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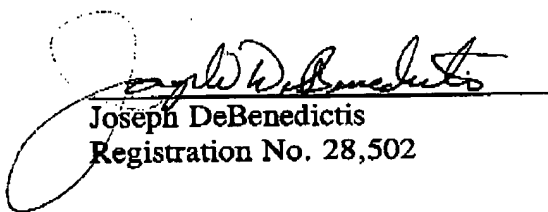
Respectfully submitted,

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